

REMARKS

Entry of the amendments is appropriate as the amendments place the case in condition for allowance consistent with the indication of allowable subject matter. Withdrawn claims 4-7, 10, 12, 27 and 28 have been canceled. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application. Claims 8 and 30 have been rewritten in independent form. Claim 9 has been amended to depend from claim 8. Rejected claims 1, 2, 29 and 31 have been canceled.

For all of the above reasons, Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of the application. Should the Examiner believe that outstanding issues exist or that a teleconference would aid prosecution, then the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,

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